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The Reply Brief filed on June 19, 2006 has not been considered because it is not in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.41(a). The Reply Brief was not filed within the non-extendable time period set in 37 C.F.R. § 41.41(a)(1).

In response to the Examiner's Answer mailed on February 17, 2006, the Appellant filed a Reply Brief including a petition for extension of time of two (2) months under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). However, it should be noted that the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) are not available when a reply is a Reply Brief submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.41.

Furthermore, the Appellant is advised that in responding to an Examiner's Answer, the period for reply will be extended only for sufficient cause and for a reasonable time specified. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(b).


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to P. Agustin whose telephone number is 571-272-7567. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:30-5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, A. L. Wellington can be reached on 571-272-4483. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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